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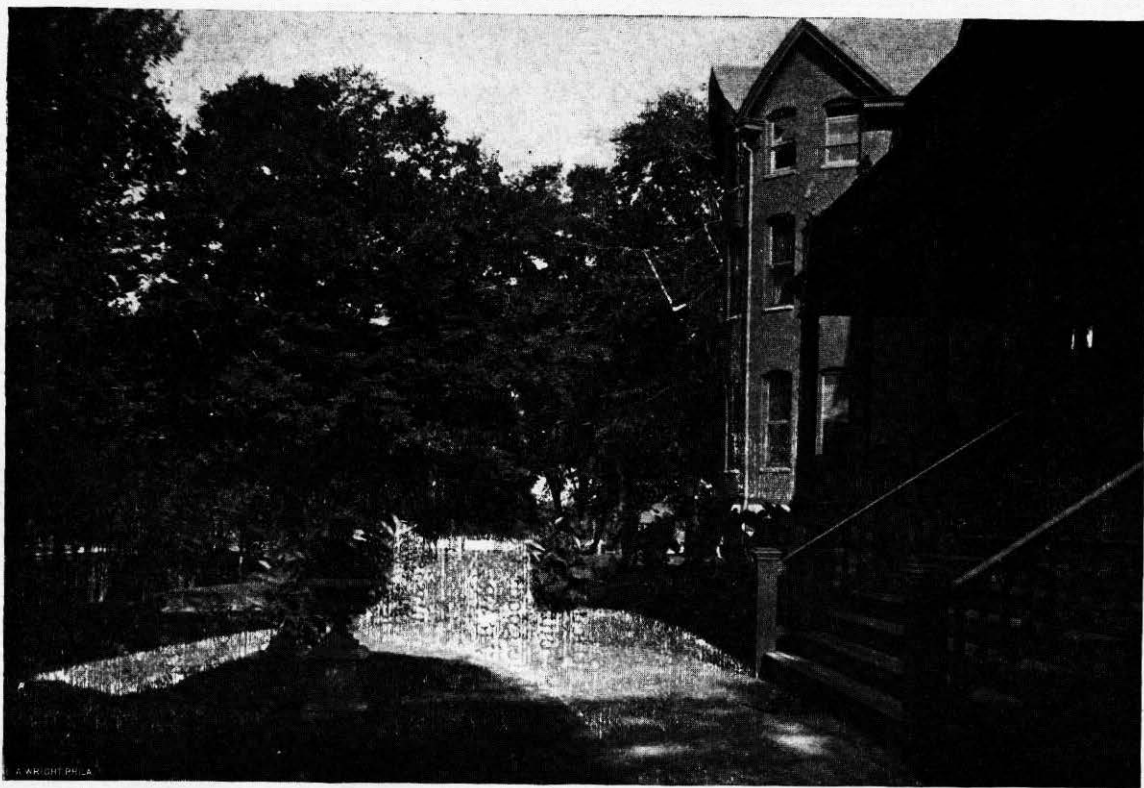
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Insula erat.

Ein grosser Fluss.

Two floods in eight weeks may suit the "pourers" and the "plungers," but we prefer no watered stock in educational organizations.

They came slowly but they came surely—the new students,—and their reception was the more cordial because they had to wade.

The river was "on a high," but the college was "on a higher" (place.)

A fine lot of energetic, studious, ambitious, earnest, and deserving young persons have joined the students' ranks since our previous issue, and they are still coming. So long as the material remains up to the standard of the vast majority of those who have already entered for the spring term we heartily say, let's have more of them.

And now let every new student have his class officers check up his record that he may see just how many units he still has to complete the course, then let him become an active member of some class, 1907, 1908, 1909, 1910, or 1911. These things help the new student in many ways, one of which is, that it puts him in closer touch with the school and strengthens his desire to complete one or more of the courses of study.

Then let each one, new and old, sit down, count the cost in all ways, and see if he cannot make up his mind to enter next fall and continue till he graduates. There have been over 125 calls for our graduates since last October with *not one to send*.

The time has come when boards of education are realizing the difference between one who has taken and completed in a systematic manner a course of study in some creditable institution, and one whose education, owing to poor advantages or to neglect, is defective in both quality and quantity. There are plenty of good places, with long terms, good salaries, and long tenure of position, for those who prepare well for the work.

The present senior class is unprecedented in size, but, considering the crying need for trained teachers the class would be too small if it were twice as large.

And this leads us to refer to a letter received lately from one of the most modest and unassuming young ladies we have ever graduated, Miss Frances Crooks. In this letter, describing more or less in detail the work of the missionary school in Burmah, India, in which she is teaching, she remarked that her training in the professional department of Marshall College had been invaluable to her, that it had helped her to solve a large number of perplexing questions in teaching and in discipline, and that as a result every teacher in the school, both of the older and of the younger children, had made it a rule to come to her with many of their pedagogic difficulties. Normal trained teachers, as a consequence, are now especially in demand in that country.

Beginning with next year the subject of arithmetic, both practical and mental, rather, both written and mental, (for no other arithmetic is so practical as mental arithmetic), will be emphasized as not for a quarter of a century, in this school. A regular "division" will be made of that work, and a competent mathematician and skilled instructor will be placed at the head of the division, whose business it will be to teach nothing but arithmetic and to see that that subject receives its due allowance of time and attention.

The energy, enthusiasm, persistence, and devotion shown by the "Junior Board of the Mirabilia" in working up their publication has challenged our commendation in an exceptional degree. It has been a task for these young people but it has been more; it has been a discipline of uncommon value. From a business point of view it cannot but prove a *fine* discipline for the entire board, and from the point of view of organized cooperation it will tell most favorably upon them. We heartily wish them success. The effort may, more than likely will, contain many features that the board would change were they to repeat the effort; this is true of every house that was ever built and of every book that was ever written, and herein is one of the most valuable features of this training for the 1908 board.

By some oversight the committee appointed by the senior class to report to the principal the choice of the class for commencement orator and commencement minister, so that he might write early and secure these in good season, failed to report for some weeks afterward. The delay will doubtless result in the failure to get one or both of those whom the class named as first choice, as capable commencement orators are rare and are much

in demand. So if we fail to secure the services of the men whom the class preferred we hope they may charge it to the reporting committee, as we wrote immediately after receiving the report.

Miss Ray Gilpatrick, daughter of Prof. J. L. Gilpatrick, chair of mathematics of Denison University, has been chosen as one of our new teachers for the spring term. She entered upon her duties, Wednesday, April 10. Miss Gilpatrick is a Ph. B. graduate of Denison and has taught since in New Jersey. She has also taken graduate work in the higher mathematics, that being her specialty. She was cordially welcomed to Marshall where she seems to be making an exceptionally good impression.

The college quartet has been rendering some fine selections in our chapel exercises of late, adding much to the interest and sacredness of these weekly meetings. As constituted at present the quartet stands:

Soprano, Mrs. C. E. Haworth, former voice teacher here, now living in Huntington.

Alto, Miss Ada B. Koehler, of Rochester, N. Y., present voice teacher.

Tenor, George Bagby, of Ironton, O., formerly voice and piano teacher at Marshall.

Bass, Mr. Townsend, lawyer, this year.

The lecture course has had some excellent features this year, and has been patronized by more than twice as many people as ever patronized college lecture courses before. Not every one agreed with the lecture committee who have charge of the course financially and otherwise, Prof. Meredith and his assistant, as to the wisdom of bringing here so plain a speaker as Senator Tillman, but somehow an unusually large number of people—more than twice as many as have ever been seen before at a lecture in Huntington—went to hear him.

The people went irrespective of their political creeds, many no doubt to see the man, many others to hear him because of his unique personality and wide reputation, and many, perhaps the majority of his audience, because they wanted to hear what "plain Ben. Tillman" had to say on the "race question."

Two spells of la grippe, a week laid up with general debility, and at present a crippled side due to his trying to fall through the third floor of the new college building, have put the editor of the Parthenon "out of commission" so much of the time since January that time for getting out editorials has been practically out of the question, hence a little delay with this issue.

The pressure being brought to bear upon President Roosevelt by the rank and file of the Republican party and by a large percent of the leaders—all who are in sympathy with his policies except those ambitious to stand in his shoes and those conscientiously opposed to third-term elections—to become a candidate to succeed himself is growing stronger every day.

The pressure may assume such tremendous intensity that all competitive candidates will see the futility of their ambitions at this time and retire gracefully before it becomes a necessity. The temptation to a man of Mr. Roosevelt's temperament must be something practically overwhelming, and certainly nothing like it has ever before been brought to bear upon an occupant of the "big chair" or the wielder of a "big stick."

If we see the matter correctly our judgment would lead us to suggest that it is yet too early to mature things of this kind. If Mr. Roosevelt continues to hold the admiration and approval of the great mass of Republican voters of this country till the time comes for deciding definitely who the leader of the party is to be from 1909 to 1913, there is scarcely any doubt that both Mr. Roosevelt himself and the friendly anti-third-termers will so change their feelings concerning his continuing in

office another term that every serious obstacle will be removed and he will be renominated by acclamation. And if the President should fail to hold the hearts of his present supporters till that time he would be the last man to stand in any good successor's way, whose policies he could endorse, for he is too shrewd a politician and too clever a statesman not to see the shadow such persistence would throw open his unique and brilliant record as a reformer.

Perhaps Woodrow Wilson, president of Princeton University comes nearest to suiting all branches of the Democratic party, though Mr. Bryan continues to be the idol of a good many hundreds of thousands of his party. That the principles of the two parties become more nearly the same from year to year can not well be denied by even the most partisan on either side; and this very fact is destined to bring about a more rational and less sentimental and sectional division of party lines in the near future; indeed its effects are noticeable already in many sections of the country,

Therefore, young men, study carefully the real, not the sentimental and imaginary, principles that underlie these two great political organizations, enter into the real spirit of investigation as to

which party stands most closely to what you deem the essentials of American government, arrive at your conclusions only after the most thorough investigation, unhampered by present inclinations, then stand by your decision with the courage of a true American but dare to change it when convinced that you are wrong or that the times demand a modification or complete change of your views. Enter the responsible field of American citizenship with neither bias nor prejudice, with bitterness toward no man and toward no party or section of a party because he or they do not believe as do you, unfettered by any of the limitations that come with one-sidedness, with a heart and a will to combat to the finish corruption in any form in either party or in any individual, with a breadth of view that will challenge the respect of your political and personal antagonists, with a heart for the whole people and not for any class, and you will find plenty to do and to do with.

Hier and Da.

W. W. Smith, class of 1896, was married on the seventh of March to Miss Lide Allen Evans of Morgantown, W. Va. A card accompanying the announcement says, "at home after the first of April, Morgantown, W. Va."

Good fortune, long life, matri-

monial bliss in an exceptional degree is the hearty greeting of the Parthenon,

Rollo Hamilton, '04, will spend his summer vacation studying in Chicago.

O. C. Chambers, '04, is cashier of a bank at Madison, Boone county. He sends the kindest and most appreciative words of commendation for his alma mater,

It was really surprising, disappointing in a way, to note how many members of the senior class in their test in orthography misspelled the word "laboratory."

The 60th birthday of Mr. Joseph Pulitzer, editor and owner of the New York World, perhaps the most noted journalist living, was celebrated with a dinner given to the heads of the various departments of the World's big plant, and some intimate friends, sixty in all, on the 10th of April. Mr. Pulitzer himself was in Europe at the time but cablegraphed the following significant message which the World printed the following day as a double leaded head to the editorial columns, entitled "The World's Platform."

In view of the fact that Mr. Pulitzer has achieved phenomenal success in a financial way in he

newspaper business, and in view of the additional fact that the policy of "The World" is exceptionally fearless and aggressive, we print this platform for study by our young men:

"Fight for progress and reform; never tolerate injustice or corruption; always fight demagogues of all parties; never belong to any party; [a remarkable statement] always oppose privileged classes and public plunder; never lack sympathy with the poor; always remain devoted to the public welfare; never be satisfied with merely printing news; always be drastically independent; never be afraid to attack wrong, whether by predatory plutocracy or by predatory poverty." Here is some sound advice. With one or two points many would not agree, though there are increasing hundreds if not thousands in this country who do agree therewith and practice their views. Most journalists fear to follow several of these suggestions lest they fail financially. Mr. Pulitzer has made millions by following most of them.

Mr. Kinkead, to the delight of his many friends at Marshall, especially to his fellow seniors and his class officers is again in school despite a severe siege of fever. Mr. Grass, to the great disappointment of all who have known him since his first enrollment at Mar-

shall several years ago, has had to suffer an unusually protracted illness and is not able to be in school at this writing, though it is still sincerely hoped that he may be back in his classes in time to graduate.

A letter from Dainty Craig, formerly assistant art teacher here, now a student of art in Chicago, a brief, friendly, "dainty" little letter, reports her well satisfied and progressing nicely.

"Dave" has a new assistant janitor, having dropped his former assistant. This time he goes to the mother state for a regular plantation colored man, and the choice seems a wise one, so far.

A water-spicket has been ordered put in on the athletic grounds for the convenience of the young men and the "beech-tree" fountain has been discontinued.

"A palace on an island" was the way Marshall looked on enrollment day for the spring term. Miss Crotty especially can testify to this, some lying cabman having promised to bring her to the college and then dropped her at 14th street where she fell into the hands of a robber oarsman who, perhaps in part owing to her small [?] size, made her pay \$1.25 for reaching the "Island Palace,"

That old students may have some idea of the amount of water lying around idle in these parts we need but say that skiffs and "john" boats landed within a few feet of the old well, the entire athletic field was covered several inches, —perhaps 12 to 18—in the highest places, and the water was at least 12 inches deep in the shallowest place where it closed round us on the college avenue side.

Mr. McGary is the only one who took a heels-over head plunge, so far as we know—the skiff, mean thing, hit a telephone pole and spilt him out wrong end up, water about five feet deep, and the diver turning a somersault in a kind of triangular or semi-circular attitude, wholly below the muddy surface. Damage? Only a hasty cold bath, old clothes rinsed, and the laundryman had a starched (?) shirt a few days earlier.

We cannot but wonder, however, whether there was not a mean oarsman as well as a mean skiff.

Those interested in the summer term of school here will get all information desired from Mrs. Everett.

Miss Anna Austin, of Lewisburg, was a pleasant caller at the college on the 12th.

What that is good and useful and practical and famous and penetrating, etc., etc., cannot be found in the present senior class? In dignitaries we have an abbot; we have also an Adams, a William, a Cullen and a Bryant, (the three names slightly disjointed but all there), a Thomas and a Dixon, [one in two,] a Jackson, a Johnson and a Lee; in things fine and useful we have Emery, hence Sharp is what one might expect, which, in fact, is "doubly" true; also Hae [with a suffix to it]; too we have a Lily and beautiful Tufts of—well too numerous to mention,—two Roads even if they are a little misspelled, a Reed that cannot be "shaken by the wind," Wheat and a Miller too, an abbreviated to-morrow, an archbishopess of Canterbury, and while we are not for sale, still we have a Price. Doesn't this do pretty well for a colony of 75?

Mr. Denny entered late owing to his having a sick mother, and he was called to her bedside on the 11th inst. He has our sincere sympathies.

Mrs. A. M. Buchanan, of Morgantown, mother of one of our teachers, was a very welcome visitor at College Hall recently. Mrs. Buchanan, whose dignified but simple, winsome bearing and easy

manners make her at once a beloved mother, a popular and highly respected member of the community, an unobtrusive and enigmatically successful pastor's wife, a charming guest, and a delightful friend, made herself one among the girls and lady teachers of the hall while here to the pleasure of everyone who had opportunity to know her.

The "Lion and the Mouse" played at the Huntington theatre on the 12th inst. gave the crowded house an opportunity for seeing some very clever acting—the cleverest we have ever seen in our city theater.

March and April somehow got tangled in each others robes in their eager rush to get out of the lap of winter, and changed places thus reversing the whole machinery of spring and relegating the utterly outlandish Easter hat to the shades of the ten-bushel box up in the boudoir for a fortnight or two; and if this hideous bit of cranial disfigurement never comes forth again it will be no loss either to refined art or to the comeliness of our otherwise well-dressed women.

It is our serious opinion that it would be in the interest of common sense, stability of character, refinement of manners, decent standards of art, and "the persistence of the type", if a few sensible leaders of

fashion on the feminine side would insist on the discontinuance of the vulgar practice of misshaping, deforming, turning in-side-out, up-side-down, wrong-end-foremost,—if a womans hat really has ends and sides and a top and a bottom part, —, then squeezing, crushing, twisting, wiring into horrid "attitudes" the head-gear of our American women, and finally piling into every conceivable form of grouping, so-called, or distributing with utter disregard for harmony, symmetry, and balance, a mass of "stuff" called "trimmings" thereon, or lifting at some unnatural angle on some part thereof the gaudily colored lead feathers of the tail or wing of a turkey gobbler,—the natural climax, for the whole business is just about as comely as a strutting male turkey—(the hat, we mean, not the woman.)

But these leaders of feminine fashion, knowing the absolute servility of their millions of followers, utterly regardless of quality, looks, price, shape, or size, persist in their efforts to make the "sense extremity" of woman less comely even than the pedal which latter they have sought to deform by lifting it upon an inverted cone but slightly truncated that she may seem to walk on her 'oes—a tendency toward atavism,

Why can't our women, so large a part of human civilization, be-

come civilized in that part of their dress which should receive the most studied and painstaking consideration—the head dress? Perhaps we are simply passing through a crisis.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Lee, classes of 1905 and 1903, respectively, are teaching a summer session of school at Pineville, Wyoming county.

One of the prominent book companies of the country writes us that a certain young gentleman whose letter head makes him the "principal of the ——— SELECT summer normal school"—mark the word "select," which we suppose means, in this connection, that it is a grade or two or three above a state normal school,—has written said company for a "key"—(mirabile! principal of a "select" normal school writing for a "key," to Milne's Academic Algebra. The company inclosed said principal's letter to them, asking whether said school or said principal was in any way affiliated with Marshall College and if so, whether we had any objections to sending the "key." The leading book companies keep us posted on all such calls on them if they think the matter would appeal to us in any way as affecting our standards of work here.

We promptly answered, of course, that we were affiliated in no way

whatever with the "key principal's" select normal and advised, however decided in our opinions against such practices, that it might be the gentleman's undoing if the key were withheld, hence it might be well to hasten to send him something to unlock the mysteries of so simple a book as Milne's Academic Algebra. If we haven't a number of undergraduate students at Marshall who could teach said book from cover to cover without a key we should feel terribly humiliated. This is, however, a sample of some of our "select" educators, or efficient crammers.

And this leads us to remark briefly on what seems to us a bit of moral obtuseness and educational (?) dissipation which creeps upon the lazy, the dull or the indifferent student in many schools where the languages are taught. We refer to the use of an interlinear or a translation,—keys to the classics.

While at college we became acquainted with three young men's work sufficiently to discover that they use what is vulgarly dubbed a "pony," in college parlance. As all three of them were gentlemen of much more social pretensions than ourselves, all intellectual, one of them really brilliant, two of them studying for the ministry, one for the law, we inquired diligently of each why he used such

help. The answer from each was, that too much time was required to prepare the lessons without them, that part of said time spent in social life was better spent, and that if one were not socially inclined then the time was better spent on other subjects. To this we added, "Why then study these subjects at all?" Answer: "As a minister or lawyer we are expected to carry these subjects and expected to know them." Inquiry: "But you are getting none of the values that come from the study of the classics, neither the educational that comes from "digging them out," the cultural that comes from the pursuit and the literary value and association, nor the practical that comes from the use of them in your profession, since you are not digging them out, neither are you learning them, as you frankly admit." Answer. "Oh, we get a little out of them, at least a smattering sufficient for bluff when needed in after life. We can at least say we have had Latin five years, Greek four, etc."

Dreadful! One of these gentlemen was our room-mate six months, one three months. When the measles overtook us in the midst of a term and left a long blank in our Latin and Greek, we decided, on recovering, that we would try one of these helpers in making up our back work, partly as an ex-

periment, partly because we could not use our eyes to "dig" it out. The experiment was a flat failure. To this day we find the part covered with the translater a blank still, the examination thereon was a farce, a memoriter process, the "lie" was behind it and we felt deeply ashamed therefore,—the "lie" in conscience, for it was taken for granted by our most honorable and trusting professor that we were getting that back-work in some sensible way—and it would have been vastly better to have honorably failed on that term's work and taken it over than to have left part of it a blank and our sense of honest work humiliated.

In our opinion, an opinion formed from both studying and teaching, the use of the key or the inter-linear or translater in any form is not only an enemy to education and to schools, and teachers, but is a positive and serious hinderance to the student intellectually, and degrading to him morally.

We are fully aware that among the flippant and trashy habits formed at most colleges, that of referring in the most common way, in speech and in print, in caricature and in humor (?) the word "pony" has as much of a place as its kindred vulgarities, "flunk," "stunt," "horse," and like inventions that may add variety and

newness peculiar to college life, but certainly contribute nothing to college refinements, college accomplishments, and educational, civic, or professional efficiency.

There has been a decided tendency toward a greater and more delicate consideration for the comforts and pleasure, in a social way, of the young ladies of the school by the maturer young gentlemen, this year, a tendency which we cannot but encourage within the limits of moderation and dignity. We are pleased to note that on public occasions quite a number of young men escort the hall ladies to the exercises. This seems well, as a rule it is well, for those who have passed the "little girl" or the "little boy" period, but it is far from well for those who have not emerged from the infantile periods, indeed it is well nigh reprehensible if not deplorable. Every young gentleman who returns to school next year should lay aside a somewhat definite amount of funds to be used for bettering his social life here, for accommodating and cultivating the young ladies, and for getting into closer touch with the better social life of the city, the professional life of the school, and the members of the faculty who should, and who are anxious to know them better, for it is we who are to speak for you when you wish promotion on

leaving us, therefore we too should know you well. The young ladies, too, should look out for similiar improvements and advantages to be gained by coming here. It has been a pleasure indeed to note how often the college parlors have been opened on special occasions, with nice refreshments and cozy arrangement of furniture, etc., at the expense of the young ladies, for the comfort of the young men. But we should like to see them opened in a similar way once to thrice per year when all "preferred" ones were left at home and only the bashful, shy, reserved, backward, unspecialized ones were given an evening with the hall ladies. It would do both sides good and would do the school good.

Department of Music.

This year the Department of Music will present its first graduating class. The members of this class are Frances Canterbury, Helen Randall, Mary E. Sharp and Helen Tufts. As each candidate for a diploma must play in public at least four numbers selected from standard piano works, the recitals soon to be given by these young ladies are being looked forward to with great interest.

The first of these recitals will take place Saturday evening, May 11. Miss Canterbury and Miss Randall will then be heard. The fol-

lowing Friday evening Miss Sharp and Miss Tufts will give their recital. A singer will be engaged to assist in each of these programs.

Besides these two recitals three others will be given by the Department of Music during the Spring term: The regular faculty recital; the students quarterly closing recital on which occasion the certificates and diplomas will be conferred; and the annual recital by junior students in the Piano Department.

Following are the programs of the graduation recitals:

Program for Saturday, May 11
8:30 p. m.

*Concerto Op. XI.....Weber
Allegro

Maestoso

Presto

Helen Randall

Sonata Op. 7Grieg

Menuetta

Finale

Frances Canterbury

Sonata Op. 31 No. 2, 1st movement..

.....Beethoven

Helen Randall

Song.....

(a) Nocturne G. major }
(b) Waltz Op. 32 }Chopin

Frances Canterbury

Etude Op. 10, No. 11..... }
Polonaise E flat minor..... } Chopin

Helen Randall

*Capriccio Op. 22.....Mendelssohn

Frances Canterbury

Song.....

Waltz, E majorMoszkowski

Helen Randall

- Ballade Op. 22 Reinecke Frances Canterbury
 *Orchestral accompaniment upon a second piano.
- Program for Friday, May 17, 8:30 p. m.
- *Allegro from Concerto in A minor .. Schumann
 Helen Tufts
- Sonata Op. 7—second movement— Beethoven
 Mary Sharp
- (a) Fantasia in C minor..... Bach
 (b) Prelude..... Rachmaninoff
 Helen Tufts
- Song.....
- Prelude Op. 17 } Chopin
 Waltz Op. 42..... }
 Mary Sharp
- Ballade G minor Chopin
 Helen Tufts
- (a) The Adieu Schubert-Liszt
 (b) Etincelles..... Moszkowski
 Mary Sharp
- Song.....
- *Concerto Op. 25 2d and 3rd movements Mendelssohn
 Mary Sharp
- Military March Schubert Tausig
 Helen Tufts
- *Orchestral accompaniment upon a second piano.

The Answer of Peace.

BY A MEMBER OF THE FACULTY.

(Written in 1885.)

Back in the shadowy ages, when time
 had its far beginning,
 Confronted by sin and its curse, with the
 footsteps of death close upon them,

All races of men sought light—for some
 refuge from sin's hard dominion,
 For a force that was stronger than death,
 or a ruler potent to guide them.

Some saw God's rainbow of promise,
 with rays piercing down through the
 future;

Vaguely and dimly they saw it, yet
 stretched forth their hands to the
 Giver,

Obeying the impulse within to turn from
 self and its thralldom.

Others groped sadly and blindly, with
 piteous cries in the darkness,
 For philosophy's calm resignation and
 the "δαίμων" of Socrates' wisdom,

Or looked in the pages of Plato for fruits
 of his careful researches;

While the gods of the Greek and the
 Roman looked on from their shrines
 and their temples,

With ears that were deaf to all pray-
 ing, and hearts that were stone to
 entreaty.

And all men said,—Life is uncertain; we
 know not the whence or the whither.
 What will avail these searchings when
 we enter the land of the dead?

The pleasures which come to us here can
 satisfy but for a season:

Give us some light, or we perish! Life
 stands between mystery and darkness.

Here in the heart of today, in the midst
 of life's quick, restless fever,

In the midst of its triumphs and pleas-
 ures, comes the same wail from
 hearts that are burdened,—

There is nothing that lasts for us here: a
 few days, then a leap in the dark-
 ness.

And sin keeps dragging us down, while
 pain eats out all the pleasure,
 And the answer of peace will not come,
 though we search through the lore
 of the ages,
 Though we grasp at the creeds of the
 ancients, and try to trace out life's
 beginnings.
 We have sat at the feet of keen Science,
 and turned unto Reason for refuge,
 But the heart must be satisfied now! 'Tis
 oppressed with its burden of sorrow!
 We are tired, and need to be rested!
 Lost! and are seeking for home!
 Down from the shadowy ages to Bethle-
 hem's star and the cradle,
 Back from our restless today to the babe
 that was laid in the manger—
 There, at the feet of the Christ, fall the
 men of all ages and nations;
 There meet the scholar and child, the
 blind and the sin-burdened there,
 Seeking together the Lord,—bowed down
 with the sorrow of living,—
 There shall all men forever find answers
 of peace in Christ Jesus.

Announcement.

The students of the Department of Expression invite you to be present at their first annual recital, Friday evening, April twenty-sixth at eight thirty o'clock, Marshall College auditorium.

The program will consist of humorous, pathetic and dramatic readings, interpreted by students who have completed nearly three terms of class and private work, in

this department. The following students will appear: Lulu Cliness, Inez Chambers, Goldie Bias, Mary Cokeley, Hazel Levering and Boyce Fitzgerald. Eva Fling and Helen Randall will assist at the piano.

The program will be rendered under the personal direction of Miss White.

Miscellaneous Notes

Do not lick the stamp sent you in an envelope for a reply. You do not know what its history may be. It is risky enough to lick the stamps that come directly from the postoffices.

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Do not use "mourning stationery" when writing one who is not supposed to know you, or to have any special interest in you, unless you wish to enlist sympathy on account of your being in mourning. General or business correspondence with strangers should not be done on mourning stationery. Not a few persons take it for granted that the whole world mourns when

they mourn; this is a serious mistake, except in cases of very rare personages, and one should remember this when using stationery with the sacred dark lines on it.

Wash the teeth thoroughly after the heaviest meal of the day and rinse them thoroughly after all other meals and lunches, also when arising in the morning. By far the greater part of the human race neglect their teeth, some out of hurry, some because too lazy, some out of pure thoughtlessness or carelessness, some out of willful negligence, many out of ignorance, and thus make unattractive, frequently repulsive, what with proper care would be very sweet and attractive mouths. Moreover the care of the teeth means sweet, pure breath, and it has vastly more to do with health than one would suppose at first thought. Besides, think of the advantage in eating, in one's advanced years, by preserving the teeth. New tooth-brushes should be purchased at least every three months, every month if one felt able, and the brush should be soft.

L. S. Henley, 1900, is practicing medicine with exceptional success at Kayford, W. Va., his collections for the past year footing up the handsome sum of \$3557.00. On the 24th of this month he will marry Miss Laura Langdon of Le

Sage, W. Va. This will be Mr. Henley's second marriage.

W. W. Smith, 1896, and his charming bride were recent visitors to our city the latter having spent some time with Miss Buchanan at College Hall.

Commencement schedules are about complete and will be published in the May Parthenon.

At a recent meeting of the faculty it was decided that the contest between the literary societies shall hereafter occupy but one night instead of two, that is, after the present year. This was done for several reasons: First. As the school grows the demand for new features of commencement exercises increase, necessarily so, thus extending the commencement season over more time than can well be given to it.

Second. The time now given to the inter-society contest is out of proportion to the time allowed for other exercises.

Third. The difficulty of getting judges for two nights has proven very serious, at times practically impossible.

Fourth. It is more or less against the interests of the societies themselves as it now stands, as the programme is too lengthy for one night and two nights distributes

the enthusiasm and interest too much, tending toward weariness.

To meet the requirements of a programme of reasonable length for one night the following schedule of time was unanimously agreed upon:

Debaters, two instead of four. Time allowed each, 20 minutes.

Orators, two. Length of oration, not fewer than 1500 or more than 1800 words.

Essayists, two. Length of essay, minimum 1200, maximum 1500 words.

Readers (or Reciters,) two. Time, 10 to 15 minutes each.

The piano feature of contest is to be omitted owing to the difficulty of procuring competent judges. There are such judges in our own city, but the contestants prefer not to have local talent to judge their performances lest bias creep in in some form, and it requires quite a bit of money to bring competent judges from a distance, and essentially the piano feature requires a separate lift so judges from the other parts of the programme. Heretofore this has led to quite an amount of pains, indeed delays, worry, and, at times, dissatisfaction.

On the whole we believe the societies will fully approve of this action of the faculty, which was taken in the interest of the societies as well as of commencement in general.

The Sunday School Convention which met in our city during the week of April 14 to 21, was a decided success and brought many old Marshall boys and girls back to their school home, too many to spare room to name in this connection.

H. F. Fleshman, 1897, was a welcome caller at the office lately, as was W. W. Smith, 1896. Both are making splendid records in their professions and upholding the honor of their alma mater

Rev. Dr. Carter, of Spencer, an unusually earnest, able, and consecrated minister of the Baptist Church, was a very welcome chapel visitor on the 17th inst.

The duet by Messrs. Bagby and Townsend, at Chapel on the 14th, was much enjoyed by all who heard it.

Dr. and Mrs. C. E. Haworth, Miss Hayes and Mr. Corbly returned from grand opera at Cincinnati on the 17th feeling that they had enjoyed one of the rare treats of their lives. "Aida," "Tannhauser," and "Hansel and Gretel" were the three operas given, and Caruso, Jacoby, Schuman-Heink, Farrar, Burgstaller and others were stars of the occasion. Miss Farrar, a Brooklyn lady who has sung in Berlin for three years in light opera, appeared in the heavier role of

Elizabeth in "Tanhauser" as a popular idol to the audience. She is young, beautiful, has a sweet voice, has other charms that seize the layman and gentle critic at once.

General.

Ninety-six daily recitations are on the regular schedule besides a few extras.

The first of the series of baseball games between the classes were played on Saturday the 20, with these results: 1908 boys against the 1910's, 17 to 2 in favor of the 1908's.

1907 boys against the 1909's, 2 to 1 in favor of the 1909's.

There was some excellent work, good enough to show that a nine might have been made up this year that would have proved pretty close to "leaguers."

Caldwell Riggs, '04, has been elected assistant cashier of the Bank of Middlebourne.

T. Marcellus Marshall, a member of Marshall's first class, under state control, was a visitor at the college recently.

Marshall's Jamestown exhibit is made up of the following:

1. Two cases of work from the model school.
2. Several bound volumes of MSS.
3. Two folios of work done in the map-drawing department.

4. One folio of normal art work, senior class.

5. One folio of college photographs.

6. A framed copy, hand-drawing, of "Caesar's Bridge," from the department of Latin.

7. A framed copy of Prof. Myer's patent plate for color combinations.

8. A copy of the junior class annual, *The Mirabilia*.

Miss Janet Jones of Granville, O., is our second new teacher for the spring term, and her keen black eyes give advance notice that there is energy and determination hid away in her reserve. She is a daughter of Judge J. D. Jones of Granville, and is an A. B. graduate of Dennison University. This makes the third Dennison graduate in our faculty, and five W. V. U. graduates.

The Camden Inter-State trolley line will be completed to the cemetery gate at an early day, and a very great convenience it will be.

Every reader of the Parthenon who knows the present post office address, occupation etc., of our alumni will confer a special favor by reporting at once, as we wish as correct a record of the alumni as possible for the new catalogue. Please send us all you know in this respect. If we get duplicate, triplicate or even quadruple reports

of some graduates this is any amount better than getting no report at all. Let us know also how many have married within the last five years and whom they married. Address, L. J. Corbly.

It is to be hoped that our city is really to be cleaned up, especially the streets and alleys and back lots?

New students are still arriving. Quite a number are booked to arrive later and stay for the summer term.

Some of the clubs have grown "densely populous,"—45 in the Crummett club on 3rd avenue.

Appearances are that our entire 16th street frontage, from the alley between 3rd and 4th avenues to the one between 4th and 5th avenues—all that remains to be built on, and there are already two houses on that,—is soon to be covered with nice homes.

We very much wish the Parthenon might have an English department next year, a division of its space given up wholly to the discussion of idioms, provincialisms, vulgarisms, slang, pronunciation, use of prepositions, adjectives etc., and many other feature of value to all our readers. Can we get a volunteer editor of the department?

One still hears such ear-racking expressions, now and then, as "I have came," "I had came," "cheer" for "chair," "jist" for "just," "taken" for "took" or "have taken," "heart-rendering" for "heart-rending," "idear" (oh horrors) for "idea," "between you and I" for "between you and me," "herculanean" for "herculean," "us boys" or "us girls" or "us fellows" for "we boys" etc., feller" for "fellow," "tobacker" for "tobacco," "potaters" for "potatoes" "them fellers" or "them there fellers" for "those fellows" and like vulgar uses of "them" and "them there" for "those," "say, will you tell me, etc.," for "will you please to tell me," "jine" for "join," ("jine meetin,") for example, instead of "join church" which is meant, but which also is decidedly faulty and should be "unite with the church."

On our own streets and on the streets of most towns and cities as well as on trains and other public conveyances, in public places, in rural districts, in many, many places where it should be made practically impossible to hear it, one hears much profanity on the part of coarse and rude men—a reproach to any community where such freedom is allowed to go unpunished though uttered in the presence of ladies.

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College Notes.

Mr. A. H. Jordan has been visiting his many friends in Huntington. Mr. Jordan is doing graduate work at Bethany.

Mr. J. Anderson Fitzgerald, who is at the University of Chicago on leave of absence, spent the Easter vacation at home.

Mrs. Nathaniel W. Ballantyne of Pittsburg, Pa., was recently the guest of her many Huntington friends. Mrs. Ballantyne was, previous to her marriage last autumn, Miss Lucie Brown, and was the head of the Department of Expression at Marshall. Her visit was a source of pleasure to her friends in this city and in the College.

Miss Rosamond Dillard who is teaching in the Model School spent Saturday and Sunday at her home near Point Pleasant.

Rev. Mr. Carter of Spencer conducted the Chapel exercises last Wednesday. It is a rare good fortune to have a man like Dr. Carter,

whose very presence is a benediction, to speak to the students.

Supt. T. C. Miller was a visitor at the College April 18.

The exhibit from the Model School will be sent to the Jamestown Exposition this week. The cases have been on exhibit in Miss Cumming's office for several days and have been much admired.

Erosophian Notes.

The spring term work in our society is starting off very nicely. At the first meeting of the term the following officers took up their duties: President, A. B. Koontz; vice-president, R. B. Cokeley; secretary, Grace A. Stewart; ass't secretary, Blanche Rogers; treasurer, W. T. Vass; critic, Paul R. Morrow.

New students are still coming to Marshall. Many of them are joining our society. We are glad to welcome them and predict that several of them will make especially valuable members. We are also

glad to notice the return of several former students, members who have been re-instated.

On the evening of March 29, the society gave an open session and reception to the faculty, Virginian Society and the new students. The following program was rendered in the new auditorium:

Welcome—President.

Piano Duet—Misses Huey and Canterbury.

Reading—Miss Gillespie.

Vocal Solo—Miss Erwin.

Quartette—Misses Crummett and Ball, Messrs. Hively and Broadwater.

Address—Dr. M. L. Wood.

Vocal Duet—Misses Riggs and Ford.

Violin Solo—Mrs. McClintock.

After the program was ended refreshments and a social evening were enjoyed.

Senior Notes.

We are glad to note that Kyle Kinkead has decided to return this term and finish with the class.

Frank Grass, who has been ill of fever, is convalescent and will, we hope, be able to resume his work and finish his course in June.

Frank Grass being unable to fill his place as class prophet G. W. Sharp was chosen by unanimous vote to fill the place.

The last trumpet was sounded Wednesday 10th inst. for the "Spelling Test" and woe unto us who are found wanting when the grading of our papers is finished.

We haven't forgotten Athletics this Spring as is seen by the material of which our team is composed:

Pitcher, C. L. Broadwater.

Catcher, G. H. Shumate.

First B., W. R. Goff.

Second B., C. R. Lilly.

Third B., R. B. Cokely.

Short Stop, L. W. Morrow.

Right Field, Thos. Lambert.

Left Field, A. B. Koontz.

Center, J. L. Hawley.

We are looking with a determined eye toward the "Davis Cup" and anything else than our getting it is not considered.

Virginian Society.

Of late the Virginian Societa has made rapid progress along every line, especially in debate. It has been discovered that the young ladies can debate almost as well as the young men, and are delighted to do so when called upon.

Our membership has greatly increased since the new pupils came in.

We regret very much to lose Mr. C. C. Davis. He was one of our

best members. We hope that he will recover his health sufficiently to be with us again in the fall.

The Virginians spent a very delightful evening at the reception given by the Erosophians.

'08 Notes.

Have you subscribed for the Annual yet? If not, see some member of the Board about it. Price, one dollar and fifty cents at the College or one seventy-five by mail.

Today, April tenth, all copy for the "Mirabilia" was delivered to the printer. Now we are anxiously awaiting the first issue of the book.

And still they come! The latest additions to our class are, Misses Ruby Wolfe, Eleanor Horn, and Anna Edwards and Messrs. Jesse Crow, Chas. Reynolds, and Max Wilcoxon.

C. C. Miller, chairman of the Mirabilia Board, is out of school for the Spring term, but will be with us again next year.

Our first baseball game was to have been played against the '10's last Saturday, the sixth; but as a result of the recent rains, the diamond was in so bad a condition that the game was postponed until next Saturday.

Y. M. C. A.

This term opens with bright prospects for our Asssiation. Many new members have been added, who are taking an active interest in our work. Among these are: Messrs. Simmons, Ramsey, Pool, Halstead, C. A. and C. E. Whytsell, Grimms, McOlung, Dodson, and Curfman.

The Y. W. C. A. reception to the Y. M. C. A. was a brilliant success. The carefully prepared plans were carried out in all respects. The occasion was enjoyable, and gave to the members an opportunity to become acquainted. In truth, it was one of those never-to-be-forgotten times which make life worth living.

A large number of hand-books have been given to new students. These are valuable to students who do not know the city.

The Association was greatly disappointed in not having Mr. Slack with us the latter part of last month. Possibly it is a treat still in store for us.

We have been planning to send four delegates to the Summer Conference, which will be held at Niagara-on-the-Lake; but, if another wishes to go, we will arrange to send five.

1909 Notes.

Again the 1909's have met at Marshall to keep the old rose and gray waving even as high as the white and gold. There are a few of our number not here, but new ones have come.

Messrs. R. R. and S. M. Callaway of Raleigh Co., are not in school this term.

Mr. Brooke Dodson, of Roane county, is one of our class, who has returned this term. We welcome him back.

The class met March 26, '07, but, nothing unusual occurred. The meeting was a business one, and did not last long.

Mr. Philip Gibson, the treasurer of our base ball team, wishes to be perfectly understood, without repeating, when he speaks. Mr. Gibson is working for the interests of our ball team as well as the 1909 class in general.

When will the first baseball game be played? The '09's will do their duty, and we feel sure will win honors on the field.

How about our president? We are always proud that he is in the '09 class, and even more so, when we see on his reports all grades as 99, 98, etc. We have a good class—and yet, we are Sophmores.

Y. W. C. A. Notes.

We are glad to have received so many new members this term and trust that all new girls will realize how much the work in the Association means to them, and will become members.

The meeting of March 24th was especially good with Miss Johnson as leader. The subject was "Christian Friendship." Misses Wade and Crummett have led the other meetings of the term. All these meetings have been well attended, and we are glad to note an increasing amount of interest among all the members.

A number of the new members are becoming interested in Rev. McCarthy's Bible class. This promises a larger class for next year.

The reception given by the Y. W. C. A. to the members of the faculty, the Y. M. A., and the new students, Saturday evening, April 6th, was very well attended, although the weather was not favorable. This reception, at the beginning of the term, gives the old students an opportunity to become acquainted with the new.

Some Students

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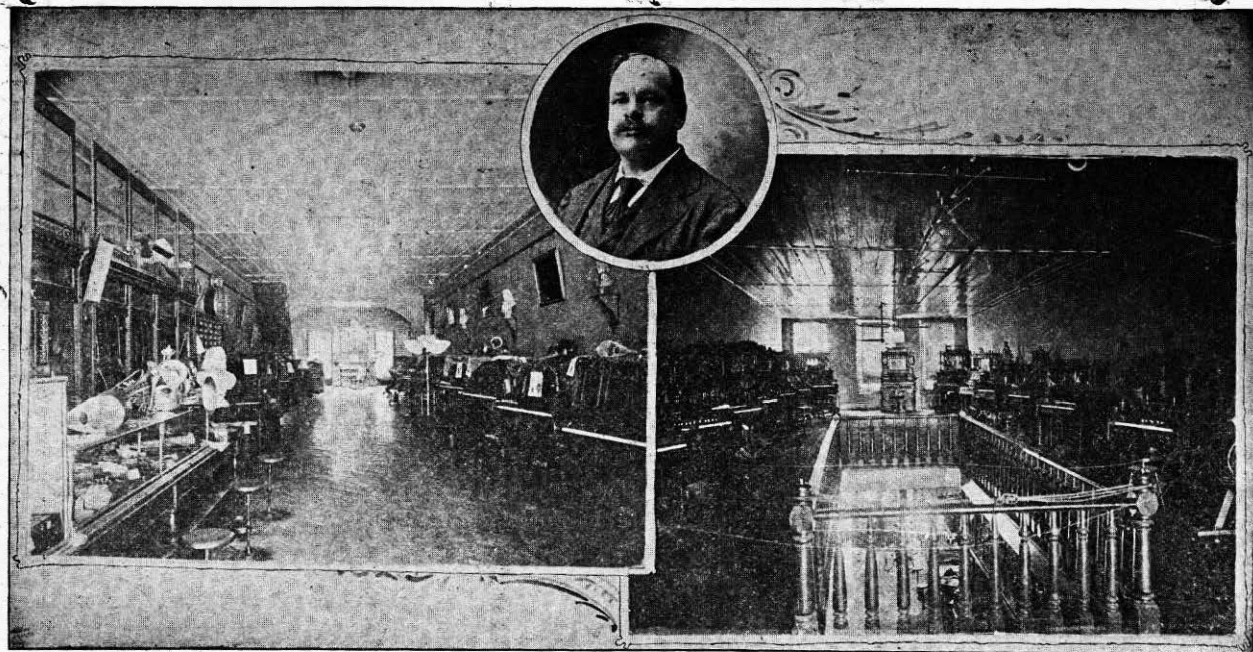
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